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SUBJECT: CODEL SOLARZ

1. CONGRESSMAN STEPHEN SOLARZ VISITED ISRAEL DECEMBER 13-15 AND DECEMBER 27 - JANUARY 2. HE MET WITH A WIDE RANGE OF GOI LEADERS, INCLUDING PRIME MINISTER RABIN, FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON, AND DEFENSE MINISTER PERES; MKS YOSEF SARID, ZVULUN HAMMER, YEHUDA BEN-MEIR, ARYE ELIAV, AND MANACHEM BEGIN; MFA OFFICIALS SHLOMO AVINERI, MAX VARON (DIASPORA AFFAIRS), MOSHE RAVIV (NORTH AMERICAN DIRECTOR), AND Yael VERED (MIDDLE EAST DIRECTOR); IDF COLONEL MANACHEM MILSON (ARAB AFFAIRS, OCCUPIED TERRITORIES), THE MAYORS OF HEBRON AND BETHLEHEM, PROFESSOR YEHSFAT HARKABI (PALESTINIAN EXPERT); AND JOURNALISTS HANNA ZEMMER AND ZEEV SHIFF.

2. CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ, TOGETHER WITH PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR MILTON SHAPP (WHO WAS VISITING ISRAEL AT THE SAME TIME), MET WITH THE CHARGE' AND EMBASSY OFFICERS FOR SEVERAL HOURS FOR A BRIEFING DECEMBER 30. THE VISITORS' QUESTIONS MAINLY CONCERNED THE ISSUES SEPARATING ISRAEL AND THE ARAB COUNTRIES IN THE SEARCH FOR PEACE, AND IN PARTICULAR,
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THE EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON LIKELY ISRAELI RESPONSES TO A RANGE OF ARAB MOVES, INCLUDING A RETURN TO THE 1967 BORDERS AND THE GRANTING OF "NEAR-PEACE." CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ TENDED TO BELIEVE THAT IN THE EVENT OF GENERAL NEGOTIATIONS, THE ARAB COUNTRIES MIGHT BE MORE FLEXIBLE THAN INDICATED BY THEIR PRESENT STATEMENTS.

3. THE EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER DID NOT ACCOMPANY CODEL SOLARZ TO HIS MEETINGS BECAUSE THE CONGRESSMAN BELIEVED THAT THEY WOULD BE MORE PRODUCTIVE IF HE ATTENDED THEM ALONE.
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